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SUBJ: SYG WALDHEIM PRESS CONFERENCE JUNE 25: MEETING WITH

MRS. BINH

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1. AT UN PRESS CONFERENCE JUNE 25, WALDHEIM MADE FOLLOWING COMMENT (ACCORDING TO IPS REPORTER'S SUMMARY) REGARDING MEETING IN MOGADISCIO, DURING OAU SUMMIT, WITH PRG'S MRS. BINH:

QUOTE: I HAD A TALK WITH MRS. BINH IN MOGADISCIO. MRS. BINH TOOK THE OPPORTUNITY TO EXPLAIN TO ME HER POSITION AND THE POSITION OF HER GOVERNMENT WITH REGARD TO THE PARIS PEACE AGREEMENT, THE QUESTION OF IMPLEMENTATION OF THAT AGREEMENT, AND WE ALSO DISCUSSED THE QUESTION OF REPRESENTATION OF THE PRG. I INFORMED MRS. BINH OF THE PRACTICE OF THE UNITED NATIONS, THE PRACTICE I REFERRED TO A FEW MOMENTS AGO. UNQUOTE.

2. EARLIER IN CONFERENCE, WALDHEIM HAD SAID:

QUOTE. WE HAVE A PRACTICE IN THE UN THAT OBSERVER STATUS IS GRANTED TO THOSE GOVERNMENTS WHICH ARE MEMBERS
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OF AT LEAST ONE SPECIALIZED AGENCY. THERFORE, GUINEA

BISSAU, FOR EXAMPLE, GOT OBSERVER STATUS WHEREAS OTHERS WHO APPLIED DID NOT GET IT BECAUSE THEY WERE NOT MEMBERS OF SPECIALIZED AGENCIES. THIS IS THE SITUATION IN REGARD TO NON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS. UNQUOTE.

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3. IN SUBSEQUENT DISCUSSION WITH MISOFF, GEORGE SHERRY, PRINCIPAL OFFICER IN OFFICE OF SYG FOR POLITICAL AFFAIRS, SAID THAT ALTHOUGH HE HAS NOT SEEN FULL REPORT OF WALDHEIM-BINH MEETING, HE UNDERSTANDS THAT SYG TOLD HER IN EFFECT THAT THERE HAS BEEN NO CHANGE IN UN ATTITUDE TOWARD PRG STATUS WHATSOEVER. FULL OBSERVER OR "LIAISON OFFICE" STATUS IN NEW YORK IS "OUT". SHERRY SAID HE DID NOT KNOW WHAT QUESTINS BINH MAY HAVE RAISED ABOUT STATUS ELSEWHERE.

4. COMMENT: I HAVE APPOINTMENT WITH WALDHEIM FRIDAY TO DISCUSS OTHER MATTERS. AT THAT TIME I PLAN SEEK FURTHER CLARIFICATION FROM HIM ABOUT HIS MEETING WITH BINH AND WILL TAKE OPPORTUNITY TO REITERATE USG POSITION REGARDING PRG STATUS.
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